जिसने न्यायालयों में बकाया मामलों की समस्या की जांच की थी, विभिन्न सिफारिशें, जिसमें न्यायपालिका में अधिकारिता और प्रक्रियात्मक उपांतरण सुधार, न्यायालयों में कार्यालय उपस्करों के आधुनिकीकरण सहित अब संरचनात्मक सुविधाओं, न्यायालयों के दिन-प्रतिदिन के कार्य में सुधार और पुराने मामलों को पूर्विकता देने आदि जैसे विभिन्न पहलू सम्मिलित हैं। इलाहाबाद उच्च न्यायालय सहित सभी संबंधित राज्य सरकारों उच्च न्यायालयों को आवश्यक अनुवर्ती कार्यवाही के लिए भेज दी गई हैं।

न्यायिक प्रणाली में सुधार किया जाना

1045. **श्री राजूभाई ए. परमार**: क्या विधि, न्याय और कंपनी कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार न्यायिक प्रणाली में सुधार किए जाने का विचार रखती है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है ?

विधि, न्याय और कंपनी कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री हंसराज भारद्वाज): (क) और (ख) सुधार संबंधी अनेक सिफारिशें, सरकार के विभिन्न विभागों के विचाराधीन हैं, जिनका उद्देश्य न्याय प्रशासन की प्रणाली का विकेन्द्रीकरण करना, प्रक्रिया संबंधी विधियों का सुधार करना, मुकदमों में कमी करना।

उनसे बचना, आदि है। इन में कर न्यायालय, श्रम न्याय-निर्णयन में राष्ट्रीय एक रूपता मंच, नगरीय मुकदमें, न्याय निर्णयन के विकल्प के रूप में मध्यस्थता, बैनामी संव्यवहार, आदि के संबंध में सिफारिशें सम्मिलित हैं। इसके अतिरिक्त मालिमथ समिति द्वारा की गई प्रक्रिया संबंधी और अधिकारिता संबंधी सुधारों की बाबत सिफारिशों को उच्च न्यायालय राज्य सरकारों को यथोचित रूप से अपनाने के लिए भेज दिया गया है।

Amtndment to Companies Act, 1956

1046. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1685 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th March, 1992 and state by when Government propose to bring forward a legisatlion before Parliament for the recodification of the Companies Act, 1956?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI K. VIJAYA BHASKARA REDDY): The matter is still under consideration.

Appointment of district/additional district judges in Jammu and Kashmir

1047. SHRI SHABBIR AHMED SALARIA: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the ratio in which the District Judges/Additional District Judges in Jammu and Kashmir are appointed by promotion viz-a-viz by direct recruitment from the Bar;

(b) what is the total number of posts in the cadre of District/Additional District Judges in Jammu and Kashmir;

(c) what is the number of District/Additional District Judges who have been appointed by direct recruitment from the Bar so far; and

(d) how many more District/Additional District Judges are likely to be appointed from the Bar to give the direct recruits their share under rules and by when Government propose to do the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE TICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) 75 per cent of such posts are filled by promotion while 25 per cent are required to be filled up by direct recruitment from the Bar.

(b) Thirty-two.

(c) Ever since commencement in 1983 of twenty-five per cent reservation for direct recruitment, only two qualified in the Competitive Examination and were appointed as such.

(d) Three. The process of selection for filling up of the vacancies has been started by the Jammu and Kashmir High Court.

Unfair Trade Practices Adopted by Companies

1048. SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there is an abnormal price rise in sector like cement, tyre, soap, toothpaste and medicines due to profiteering and unfair trade practices by companies; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken or are proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) As per the index number of wholesale prices furnished by the Office of the Economic Adviser, Ministry of Industry, the wholesale prices of cement, tyres, soaps, toothpaste and drugs and medicines have increased during the period June, 1991 to June, 1992. The MRTP Commission is empowered to inquire into cases involving Monopolistic, Unfair and Restrictive Trade Practices as defined in the MRTP Act, 1969. In this context, the MRTP Commission has recently moved against a cement company for allegedly committing a monopolistic trade practice by increasing prices unreasonably at short intervals. The Commission has also proceeded by way of instituting inquiries against manufacturers of cement, drugs and soaps for resorting to restrictive trade practices either by way of manipulation of prices of their respective products or by re-sale price maintenance or through predatory pricing.

1049. [*Transferred to the 29th July*, 1992.]

Vacant p osts of judges in Bombay High Court

1050. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of posts of High Court judges which are vacant at present in the Bombay High Court including all its benches; and

(b) what are the reasons for these posts remaining vacant and by when these posts are likely to be filled?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) As on date there are 10 vacancies of permanent/Additional Judges in the Bombay High Court in its sanctioned strength of 54 permanent/Additional Judges. Recommendations received for filling up 5 vacancies have been processed. Recommendations for filling up the remaining vacancies have not been received from the Chief Justice of the High Court and the State authorities in terms of Article 217(1) of the Constitution of India. While all possible efforts are made to fill up the vacancies at the earliest, it is not possible to indicate by when the vacancies would be filled up.

Plan Outlay for Poverty Alleviation Programmes

1051. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV:
SHRI SURENDER SINGH:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the plan outlay for poverty alleviation programmes in the Eighth Five Year Plan;